

When the East Fought
the West and a
Christian City Fell

THE DARK ANGEL, by MIKA
Waltari. G. P. Putnam's Sons,
New York.

In the year 1453 the Christian
world was shocked by the news that
the Turks had stormed and cap-
tured its eastern outpost, the fab-
ulous city of Constantinople — an
Istanbul, as the Turks call it today.

This is the story of that city's
last days, divided between loyalty
to a creed and a monarch depend-
ing upon the Mohammedan Turks.
Your editor has read a good deal
of history, and the conventional
histories shed voluminous tears
over the fall of Constantinople to
the infidels; but here is a close-up
view which makes it appear that
justice was done nevertheless.

Christians spent their time in
debate and politics while the Turks
gathered weapons, siege-towers,
and ships. The Christian emperor
made a deal with Rome merging
the Eastern and Western branches
of the church not particularly for
religious reasons but because it
was assumed the merger would
bring warships to the defense of
Constantinople — a defense that
the city fathers were too indolent
to arrange for themselves.

One man alone sees the picture
clearly, John Angelos, suspected by
many of being a spy for the Turkish
sultan, but actually the unrecog-
nized nephew of the Christian em-
peror — and loyal to the very last.
This is Constantinople's story, but
it is told by Angelos.

And of course he wouldn't be
much of a prince or a man if he
were wasn't a romance behind all
that intrigue and fighting. He is in
love with the daughter of a noble
who aims to sell the city out to the
Turks. The girl fathers for a time
between belief in her father and
her lover, but holds to Angelos
at the last.

"The Dark Angel" of course is
Death — given a magnificent
treatment by Mika Waltari, the Fin-
nish author who gained world-wide
fame with his novel "The Egyp-
tian" and the others, "The Ad-
venturer" and "The Wanderer."
His new book is a thrilling ro-
mance and adventure story against
the historic background of the Dark
Ages, when the Orient was pressing
Christianity against the wall and
threatening to put out the light of
the world.

Nor do you have to be a skillful
student of words to read into this
novel a resemblance to the times
in which we live today — when an
oriental power is threatening
Christianity and some Christians,
like the Constantinople people of
old, are foolish enough to believe
an ally will defend those who are
too indolent to defend themselves.

No Doubt That Ike's Prestige Improved

By JACK BELL

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Korean
truce has evidently boosted Presi-
dent Eisenhower's prestige but the
uncertainties of peace negotiations
hang as a threat over the political
future of his administration.

Democrats generally agreed with
Republicans that if Eisenhower
were a candidate today, the cease-
fire in Korea might result in a
more sweeping victory for him
than he rolled up in last Novem-
ber's presidential election.

But the politicians foresaw also
the possibility of adverse develop-
ments in Korea which lead even
to a resumption of the shooting
and a popularity nose-dive for Re-
publican candidates in next year's
congressional elections.

Sen. Carlson (R-Kan.), said he
regrets the achievement of truce in
Korea as one of Eisenhower's great
accomplishments thus far.

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at this session was taken in the
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measure and the drive for adjourn-
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WEATHER FORECAST

Arkansas: Clear to partly cloudy
continued warm this afternoon, to-
night, Wednesday.
Experimental Station report for 24
hour period ending 8 a.m. Tues-
day: High 93 Low 73.

Farm Income \$12.6 Billion But Is Down

By OVID A. MARTIN

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agri-
culture Department reported today
that farm income during the first
half of this year was down 5 per
cent from a year ago. It totaled
\$12,600,000,000.

Farmers sold more crops and
livestock and livestock products
than during the first half of last
year, but prices averaged 10 per
cent lower.

Receipts from livestock and live-
stock products totaled \$8,200,000,
000, or a reduction of 8 per cent
from a year ago. Most of this de-
cline was due to lower prices for
cattle and calves. Crop receipts in
the first six months totaled \$4,400,
000,000, about the same as in 1952.

The department said the decline
in farm income from a year ago
has been getting larger month by
month. In June, for example, re-
ceipts were down 13 per cent from
the corresponding month last year.

Meanwhile, the department pre-
dicted that the combined produc-
tion of crops and livestock this
year may be about the same as
the 1952 record. The agency's
July crop report indicated that
crop output may be the third larg-
est of record. Production of live-
stock and livestock products are
likely to be the largest of record.

The department said the domes-
tic demand for food and other
farm products in continuing high,
but that foreign demand remains
at a reduced level, largely as a
result of improved production
abroad.

However, some improvement in
exports of cotton, tobacco and
some of the vegetable oils was
foreseen in the months ahead.

New National Debt Ceiling to Be Asked

WASHINGTON (AP) — Administra-
tion officials indicated today they
almost certainly will ask Congress
toward the end of this week for a
new ceiling on the national debt.

The truce in Korea, they said,
will not appreciably ease the strain
on government finances in the
coming six to eight months. Re-
duced spending for defense, said
the officials, who asked not to be
named, must come from reorgan-
ization and tightening of the de-
fense setup "and that will take
time."

They said the government will in
all likelihood spend the \$3½ billion
dollars now budgeted for major na-
tional security programs in the
months ending next June 30, de-
spite the end of fighting in Korea,
probably continue much as plan-
ned.

No Parking Sign Out of Season

KANSAS CITY (AP) — A down-
town street is being resurfaced,
and city workmen hung
"No parking" signs on parking
meters to keep cars out of the
way yesterday.

They ran out of signs and
dug into their winter gear.
So some meters bore this no-
tice, "No parking till snow is
removed."

Yesterday's temperature
reached 99 degrees.

ARKANSAN RETURNING

SEATTLE (UP) — One Arkan-
sas serviceman is aboard the Navy
Transport Gen. W.O. Darby due
to dock at the port of embarka-
tion from the Far East Wednes-
day. He is Capt. Oliver S. Wol-
lard, Jr., of Clarksdale.

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Qualifying Farmers Can Secure Loans to Improve Farms

Farmers in Hempstead County,
who qualify, may now receive loan
funds recently appropriated by
Congress to buy, develop, im-
prove or enlarge farms according
to W. M. Sparks, County FFA
superintendent.

These loans aid farmers to be-
come established in an efficient
and economic operation and serve
as a way for a farmer to help him-
self. The serious droughts the last
two years have caused farmers to
a lot of figuring about ways to
farm more efficiently.

Farm loans to enlarge existing
farms and to make improvements
by clearing, constructing ponds for
livestock water, which may later
in some instances be used for
irrigation reservoirs, build fences
and to construct or repair buildings
are now being made.

A considerable number of farm-
ers in Hempstead County have al-
ready used this loan service to
make underused and underdeveloped
farms into efficient and productive
farms. The loans which bear four
percent interest are payable at any
time up to forty years. All applica-
tions for these loans are acted up-
on by a committee of three Hemp-
stead County citizens.

Horace B. Fuller of Hope is
Chairman of this committee. Ap-
plications may be made at the
Hempstead County FFA office
which is located on the fourth floor
of the courthouse in Hope.

WASHINGTON (UP) — Senate and
House Armed Services committees
have cut \$4,159,806 from funds to
finance military construction work
at Shumaker, Blytheville and Little
Rock, Ark.

The projects:
Navy:
\$463,606 for inert ammunition
storehouse at Shumaker.
Air Force:
\$788,000 for aircraft mainte-
nance, training, administrative
and community facilities, and
shops, at the proposed Air Force
Base, Little Rock.

LITTLE ROCK (UP) — Sale of
alcoholic beverages was banned in
all Arkansas cities having local
elections today.

Eli Collins, state alcoholic be-
verage control director, said elec-
tions scheduled in any ward of a
city would require that liquor and
beer sales be banned throughout
the city.

Collins said county outlets were
not affected where no county elec-
tions were being held, such as in
Pulaski County.

Little Rock, in Pulaski County,
was holding an aldermanic elec-
tion in one ward. Sales were ban-
ned in Little Rock, but not in
North Little Rock or in the coun-
ty.

WARREN (UP) — Several hun-
dred workers walked off their
jobs at the Southern Lumber Co. mill
here yesterday with no im-
mediate explanation.

W. R. Warner, general manager,
was unable to point out a reason
for the walkout and no statement
was forthcoming from the men's
union, the International Woodwork-
ers (CIO).

Warner said his firm had been
in negotiation with the union for
more than a month and apparent-
ly had "settled all matters."

The company's office workers
and wood crews remain on the
job.

LITTLE ROCK (OP) — State
Education Commissioner Arch
Ford today was to present a de-
centralization plan to a special ad-
visory commission on education.

The recently-appointed commis-
sion was to hold its first meeting
today and Ford said he hoped to
have his plan ready. The plan
would bring better service to local
education units by moving some
of them to the state capital.

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Condition of Sen. Taft Is Deteriorating

NEW YORK (AP) — Sen. Robert A.
Taft's physical condition "has de-
teriorated," New York Hospital an-
nounced today.

The Ohio Republican recently
underwent an exploratory opera-
tion of the abdominal wall to in-
vestigate a hip ailment.

The announcement was the first
that did not take an optimistic
view of his condition.

It had been announced last week
that he would return to Washing-
ton on Wednesday. A statement
from the hospital yesterday said
only that his departure would be
delayed.

"Sen. Taft's condition has deterio-
rated somewhat during the last
24 hours," the hospital bulletin said
today.

"He is responding less well to
treatment and is not taking food
satisfactorily."

U. S. Jet Sets Record Flight to England

FAIRFORD AIR BASE, England —
An American 47 Stratofort
bomber flashed across the At-
lantic from the United States to
England today in the record-shat-
tering time of 4 hours and 45 min-
utes.

The sleek, sweeping 6-jet atom-
bomber, called the world's fastest
whenever from Little Rock, Maine,
Air Base to Fairfield — a distance
of 3,120 miles nonstop — at an
average speed of about 609 miles
an hour.

The flight clipped 37 minutes off
the previous record of 5 hours, 22
minutes, set last June 6 by another
B47.

Today's record breaker, com-
manded by Lt. Col. James M.
Smith, 36, of Austin, Tex., left
Little Rock at 3:45 a. m. EST,
and landed at Fairfield in central
England at 8:30 a. m. EST.

Information Arkansas Liability Law

Chief of Police Clarence Baker
and Deputy Prosecuting Attorney
Royce Weisenberger issued the fol-
lowing statement for the general
information of the public in regard
to the accident reports required
under the new Arkansas Financial
Responsibility Law (Act 347 of 1953
and effective June 11, 1953):

Representative Talbot Feild
called our attention to the fact that
many of our citizens are not ac-
quainted with the penal provisions
of this Act. Section 80 provides for
a fine not to exceed \$100.00 for
those that fail to report a motor
vehicle accident or furnish addi-
tional information as required un-
der Section 18, 20 and 21 of the Act
where the accident has resulted in
damage to the property of any one
person in excess of \$100.00 or in
bodily injury to any person or the
death of any person. The Motor
Vehicle Division, State Revenue De-
partment, State Capitol, Little
Rock, Arkansas, advises that it is
the duty of the local officers to en-
force this law, as well as State of-
ficers.

Section 18 requires the report to
be made on standard forms within
5 days after the accident. These
forms are being distributed by the
Commissioner of Revenues and will
be available from your local of-
ficers in case you are involved in
an accident requiring a report. Do
not confuse this required report
with the reports filed by the State
Police or any officers as the officers
reports do not go to the Revenue
Department.

Section 20 provides that when the
driver is unable to make the re-
port and is not the owner of the
car, the owner must make the re-
port within 5 days after learning of
the accident.

Section 21 provides that addition-
al information must be furnished
by the driver or owner involved in
the accident as the Revenue De-
partment might require.

The Act provides that these re-
ports are confidential. Persons
making this report and having pub-
lic liability insurance should ob-
tain from their public liability in-
surance carrier SR-21 executed by
the public liability insurance car-
rier and this form should be at-
tached when the driver or owner
of a car involved in an accident
makes his report. Of course if the
SR-21 shows that the driver or
owner involved in the accident was
adequately covered by public li-
ability insurance no question would
be involved as to whether or not
the vehicle's and driver's licenses
should be suspended.

C. E. Baker
Chief of Police
Royce Weisenberger
Deputy Prosecuting
Attorney

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Mrs. Jim Reed, 74, Lifelong Hope Resident, Dies

Mrs. Jim Reed, aged 74, lifelong
resident of Hope, died Monday in
a local nursing home after a long
illness. She was the daughter of
the late J. L. White.

Survivors include a foster son,
Baron Dean of Parsons, Kansas,
and a sister, Mrs. Robert Forman
of Abbeville, S. C.

Funeral services will be held at
10 a. m. Wednesday at Herndon-
Comelius Funeral Home Chapel.
Burial will be in Rose Hill Ceme-
tery.

Hempstead Still Left Off of Disaster List

WASHINGTON (AP) — President
Eisenhower yesterday designated
24 more Arkansas counties as dis-
aster areas, bringing to 60 the to-
tal number of counties eligible for
federal drought relief aid. The lat-
est counties added to the list are:
Arkansas, Clay, Craighead, Crit-
tenden, Cross, Desha, Drew, Faulk-
ner, Greene, Jackson, Jefferson,
Lawrence, Lee, Lincoln, Lonoke,
Mississippi, Monroe, Phillips, Poin-
sett, Prairie, Pulaski, Randolph,
St. Francis, White and Woodruff.

With the latest additions, only 15
counties in the state are not eligi-
ble for drought relief.

None of these counties have been
recommended by the State Agricul-
ture Mobilization Committee twice
but have been rejected both times.
They are: Bradley, Calhoun, Cleve-
land, Hempstead, Howard, Lati-
tude, Miller, Ouachita and Sevier.

Forty-seven counties were in-
cluded in the original recommenda-
tion by the committee. Of these
35 were approved. The committee
then re-submitted the 12 rejected
counties along with nine others
and of these only nine were ap-
proved in the list announced yester-
day.

When Arkansas first asked to be
declared a drought disaster area,
Gov. Cherry recommended that all
75 counties be found eligible. He
said he would continue to press
for approval of the entire state.

Neither the President nor the
Agriculture Department has re-
leased the method of determining
which counties will be approved
for drought relief.

Brewery Strike Is Settled in Milwaukee

By United Press

A 76-day United Milwaukee brewery
strike was near settlement today,
but the nation's labor peace was
shattered by other walkouts among
atomic energy, camera and tele-
phone workers.

Some 7,200 CIO United Brewery
Workers were scheduled to vote at
a mass meeting today on ratifica-
tion of an agreement to end their
strike against six Milwaukee brew-
eries. Approval of the undisclosed
agreement was considered almost
certain.

The breweries, Schlitz, Pabst,
Millers, Gettelman, Independent
and Blatz, promised to have beer
flowing within eight hours of a set-
tlement.

Hopeful news came from Chien-
go where the president of the CIO
Communications Workers Union
said the union had "decided to
take another try at peaceful col-
lective bargaining" with 11 tele-
phone companies of the nation-
wide Bell system.

Truck License Deadline Is Friday

The deadline for truck owners to
purchase license plates is midnight
Friday, July 31, according to Mrs.
Bobbie Parker of the local rev-
enue office.

Truck owners must have their
pink slips and titles. A \$3.00 pen-
alty goes on Saturday following the
deadline and increases every day
thereafter.

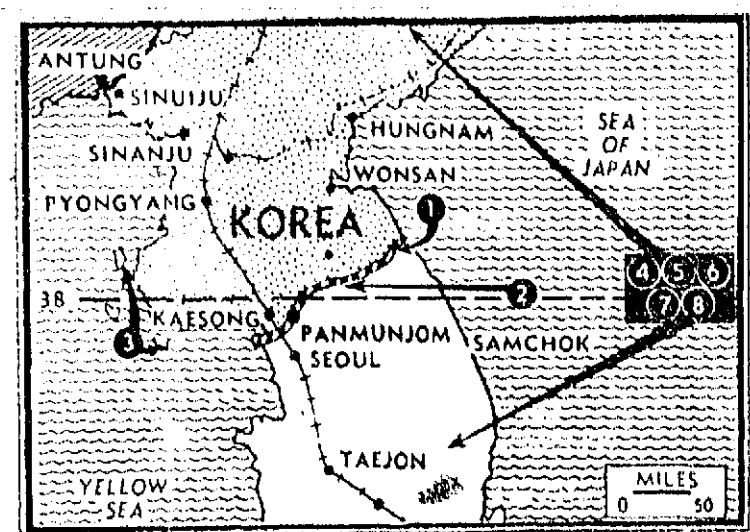
984 Red Planes Downed During War

SEOUL (AP) — The 5th Air Force
announced today its planes de-
stroyed 984 Communist planes dur-
ing the three-year Korean War.

In a statistical summary of its
operations, the 5th Air Force al-
so claimed 159 Red planes probably
destroyed and 965 damaged.

The summary did not include op-
erations of planes, mainly B29
bombers, of the Far East Air
Force.

Front-Line UN, Red Troops Pull Back From Shell-Torn Korea Zone



FOLLOW UP — The following steps are those scheduled to
be followed after U. N. and Communist representatives signed a
Korean war armistice.

1. All hostilities ceased twelve hours after the signing.
2. Two-and-one-half-mile buffer zone to be set up within three
days. Opposing troops withdraw 1.2 miles from the front, destroy-
ing all fortifications within that area.
3. Both sides withdraw from islands located on either side
of truce line. Islands have been in UN hands most of the time and
have been used as radar stations, infiltration bases and the like.
This will take place five days after the armistice signing.
4. Representatives of both sides and of four neutral nations
are to form a commission to enforce truce terms.
5. Size of forces on each side will be frozen as of the signing.
Each side will be allowed to rotate some 35,000 troops each month.
6. Building of "non-military" airfields on both sides of de-
militarized neutral zone is to be permitted.
7. All prisoners who desire repatriation are to be exchanged
within two months after signing of the pact.
8. Both sides are to meet in a political conference on un-
settled issues — particularly the unresolved Korean unification prob-
lem, within three months after truce is signed. — NEA Telephone.

Marines See Dragon Lady, Not Impressed

By GEORGE MCARTHUR

WESTERN FRONT, Korea (AP) —
American Marines today got their
first look at the Red Dragon Lady,
the Communist siren with a loud-
speaker.

She should have stayed at home.
The Dragon Lady and a troupe
of Chinese entertainers came out
on a front-line outpost hill and
staged a show for the Marines a
few hundred yards away.

The Dragon Lady has been mak-
ing front-line broadcasts for
months. There may be more than
one Dragon Lady doing the same
thing along the front but the Mar-
ines have been hearing her regu-
larly, singing Korean and Chinese
songs and making propaganda
broadcasts.

She had never been seen by Al-
lied troops, so when she appeared
this morning in the open, broad-
casting with a microphone from
the small hill, Marines dived for
telescopes and field glasses.

They saw a slight, moon-faced
girl dressed in a very faded khaki
uniform. She wore a stretch cap
pulled down over her long straight
black hair.

Her shoes were the regulation
canvas and rubber shoes worn by
ordinary soldiers. If she had any
planner the Marines couldn't see
it.

The rescue force, equipped with
flame-throwing tanks and armored
personnel carriers, was organized
soon after the truce negotiations
were shifted to Panmunjom from
Kaesong in October 1951.

NOMINATION APPROVED
WASHINGTON (AP) — The nomi-
nation of R. B. Kidd of Little Rock
to be U. S. Marshal for Eastern
Arkansas has been approved by
the Senate Judiciary Committee.
The group approved President
Eisenhower's nomination yester-
day.

All Around the Town

By The Star Staff

Local friends will be happy to
learn that Brenda Delaney, young
daughter of Mrs. Kathleen Delaney,
is considered to be doing fine fol-
lowing an operation in a Little
Rock hospital.

Brenda was visiting in Little Rock and suffered
a concussion in a fall while play-
ing — an operation was performed
and if she continues to improve,
may get to come home soon.

Join the service and see the
world... that's not only true of
the sailor and soldier but includes
their families nowadays... any-
way Mrs. Martha Jean Vines will
leave August 7 for Seattle from
where she will sail for Hakata,
Japan to join her husband, Sgt.
William Vines... Lt. Clinton Jones
and family have arrived in the
U. S. after a three-year stay in
Germany... Lt. Jones will report
to Ft. Benning, Ga. on August 25
after visiting friends and relatives
in and around Palmos... Billy
J. Arnett of Emmet is at Camp
Roberts, Calif. to begin his military
training... His mother is Mrs.
Beulah Lee Crider of Emmet.

DeGasperi Regime in Italy Falls

ROME (AP) — Premier Alcide de
Gasperi's eighth government fell
today on a no confidence vote.

It was the first time that the 72-
year-old Christian Democrat lead-
er suffered such defeat since he
took the reins of Italy's govern-
ment on Dec. 10, 1945.

The vote was 232 to 203 against
De Gasperi. There were howls of
delight from the Communist and
extreme left as the ballot was an-
nounced in the Chamber of De-
puties.

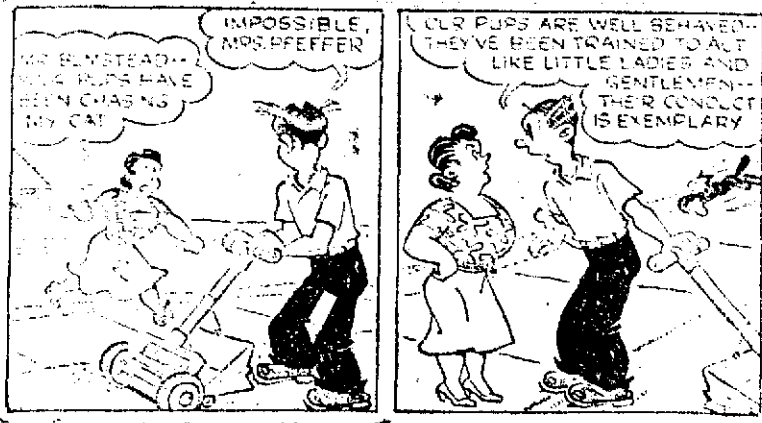
Now De Gasperi has to submit
to President Luigi Einaudi the for-
mal resignation of the government
election. The constitution requires
that the government have the con-
fidence of both the Chamber and
the Senate.

Marines Stood by
Just in Case
PANMUNJOM (AP) — A mobile
force of U. S. Marines stood by
just outside the neutral zone all
through the Panmunjom negotia-
tions — ready to dash in and re-
scue Allied delegates in the event
of Communist treachery.

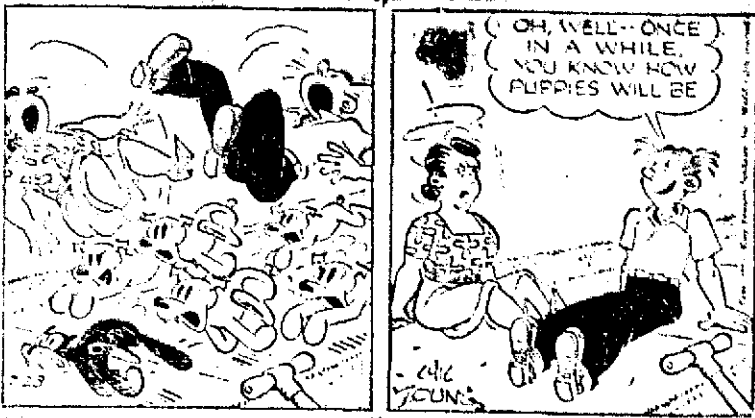
Existence of the "Snitch Pla-
toon" was a closely guarded se-
cret which could be revealed only
after the armistice was signed.

The rescue force,

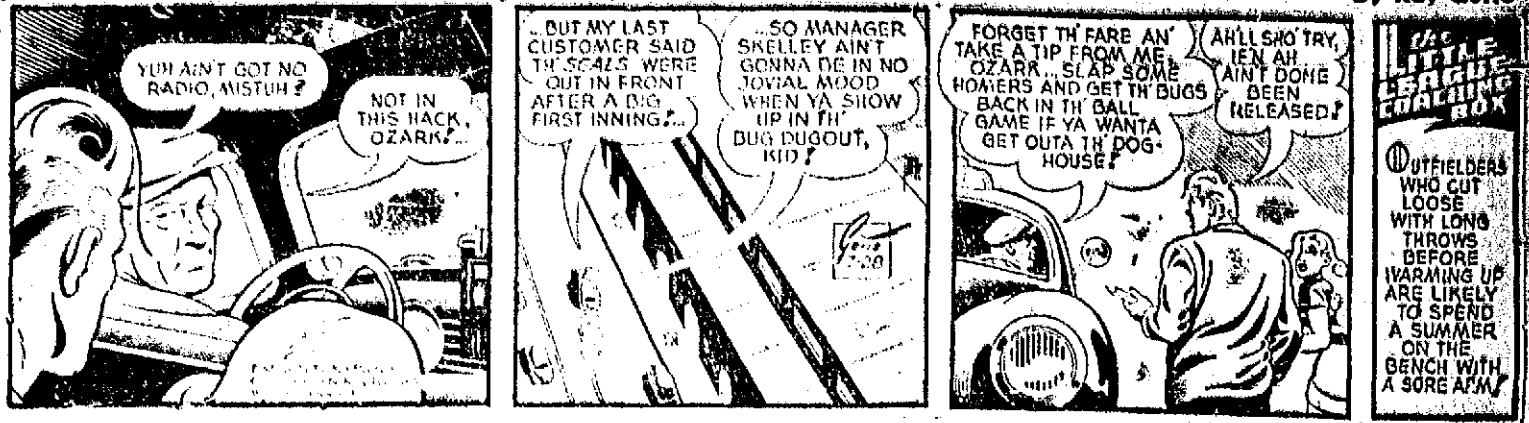
BLONDIE



By Chick Young



OZARK IKE



By Ray Goff

Screen Actress

Answer to Previous Puzzle

ACROSS	DOWN
1 Screen actress, Judith	1 Go (slang), 2 Uncommon
6 She studied drama at NYU before being discovered by movie	4 Join
11 "Lily maid of Astolat"	5 Diminutive of Edgar
12 Expunger	6 Harden
13 Inhabitable	7 Mediterranean island
14 Rounded	8 Rowing
15 She has a personality	9 Employer
16 Scottish sheepfold	10 Head (Fr.)
20 Low haunt	11 Worm
21 Not as much	13 Legal point
22 Sheltered side	19 Chick-beetle
26 Storm	20 Make greater in depth
30 Cloth measure	21 She wants to play — roles
31 Goddess of intuition	44 Footlike part
32 Father	45 Beverages
33 Fourth	23 Slipped
34 She is climbing to the	25 Short jacket
35 Fish	27 Mine entrance
36 Pedestal part	28 Load
38 Compass point	29 German river
39 Passage in the brain	30 Key
40 Term used by golfers	31 Key
42 Slight bow	32 Key
44 Grew pallid	33 Key
47 She — a lot	34 Key
51 Feminine appellation	35 Key
53 Diadems	36 Key
54 Anstere	37 Key
55 Take turns	38 Key
56 Biblical name	39 Key
57 Amount	40 Key

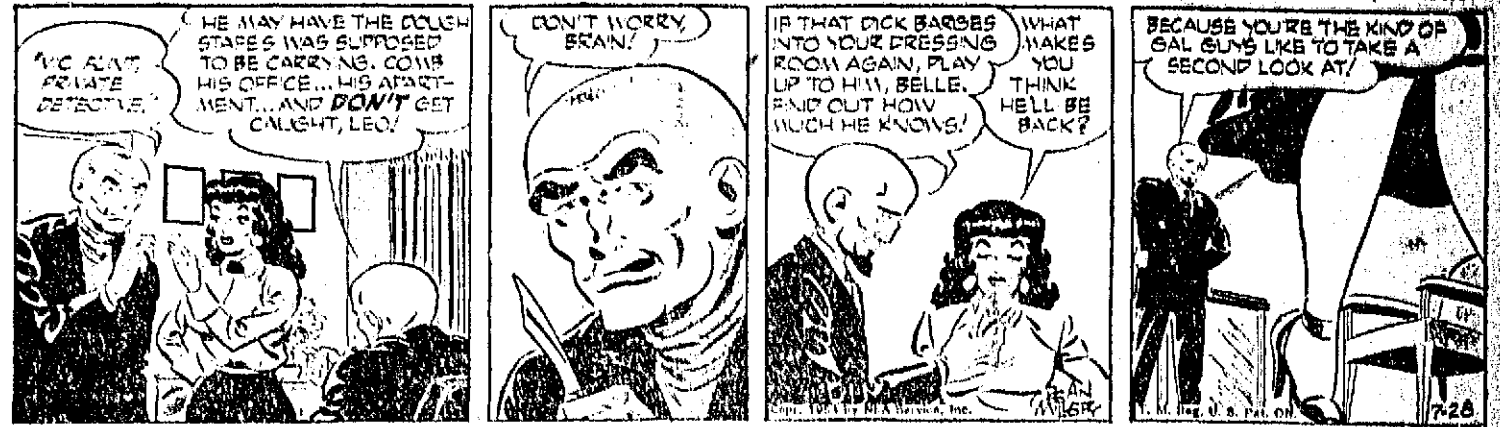
OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



VIC FLINT

By Michael O'Malley and Ralph Lane



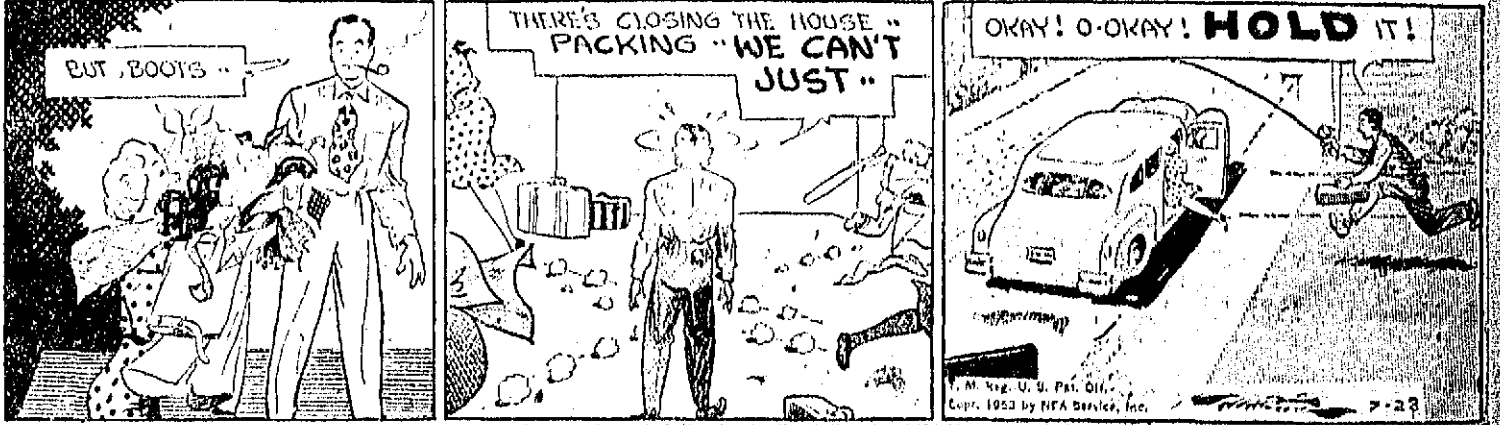
WASH TUBBS

By Leslie Turner

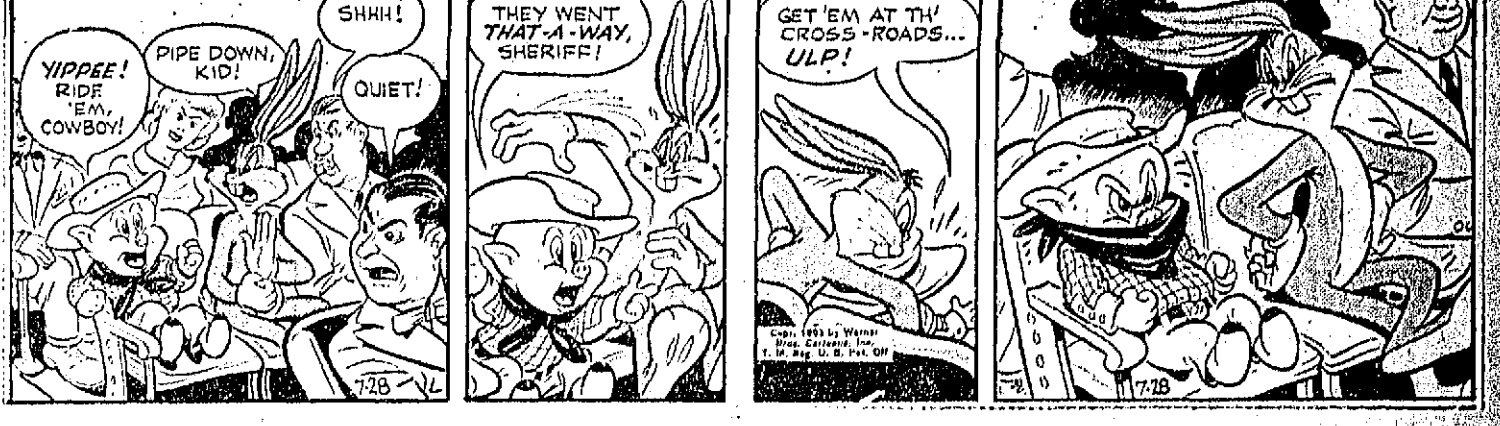


BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

By Edgar Martin



BUGS BUNNY



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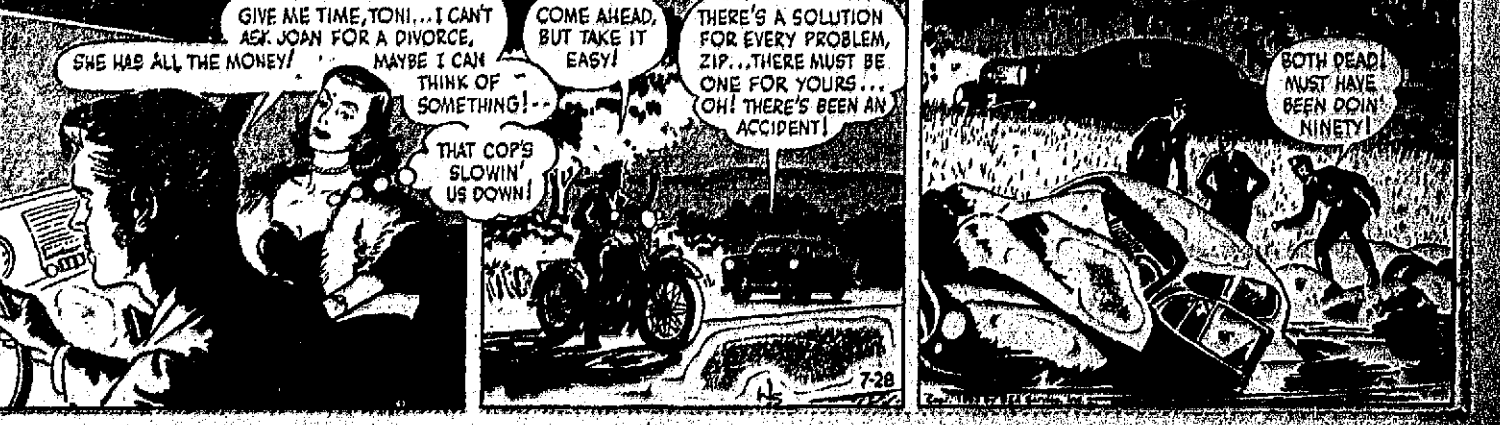
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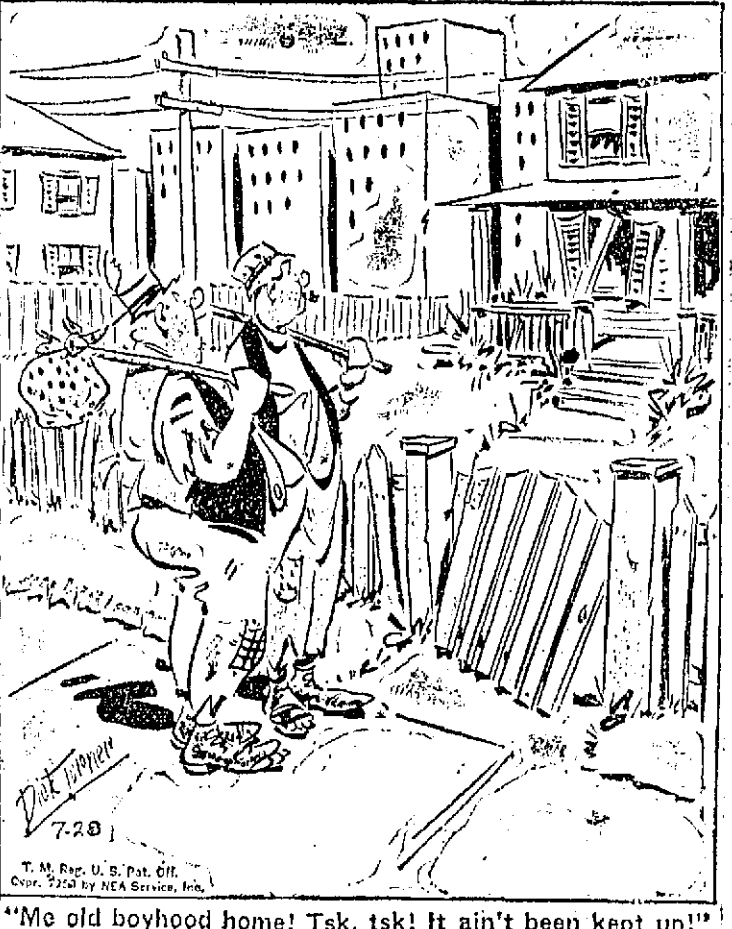
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